



**THE FRESNO MORNING REPUBLICAN.**  
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"The Great Newspaper of the San Joaquin Valley."  
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Every reader should attend to day's meeting.

Producers can pack their own raisins and borrow money on them if they require it.

The Joe Spinney combination may have a legal right to disrupt the Volunteer fire department, but it will not find either profit or honor in the job.

The question of the hour among Democrats is: Did Butler himself write that editorial or was some trusted member of the staff delegated to perform the act?

The cooperative packing houses furnish the key to the situation. There are sixteen of them in this district, all equipped with facilities for handling raisins.

In class distinction and ostracism as promulgated by the local Democratic paper is a cardinal doctrine of the New Democracy it is indeed a good thing that Jackson and Jefferson have been a long time dead.

The St. Louis woman who is reported to have sold her husband for \$1000 is in luck if she made this deal. A husband who is willing to be sold could not be worth that amount of money even in prosperous times, when the price of live stock is keeping pace with dollar wheat.

Some of Fresno county's best supervisors have been farmers, and the suspicion of hayseed in their hair was not always founded on imagination. However, their heads were not devoted entirely to the accumulation of hair and hayseed. They had brains in them, and their possessors know how to use them. And that is a good deal more than can be said of some people who do not put themselves in the "middle class."

If people of the "middle classes," hayseeds, plodding lum hermen, reeking butchers, etc., are not fit material from which to make county supervisors, will the Fresno Republican inform a waiting world by what process of reason "these good but unsophisticated" "stoughton bottles" can be expected to envenom and settle intricate problems of statecraft at the ballot box? A "middle class" of "stoughton bottles" who are unfit to act in the capacity of county supervisors are totally unfit to exercise the grave responsibilities of citizenship. That they ought to be disfranchised is the logical conclusion of an opinion that would bar them from serving their county as supervisors.

**ATTACKING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

Joe Spinney and the cohorts of politicians who are attacking the long-conceded rights of the Fresno Volunteer Fire Department have found a color bearer in the *Expositor*. In its issue of last evening that paper says in favor of the scheme to disrupt the department:

The idea that the board of city trustees is "sacrificing the interests of the city" is all nonsense and the declaration is a piece of hypocrisy on the part of the *Expositor*. There never was a more patriotic board than that which ruled up to the time when Mr. Spinney saw the error of his way and forewent his old associates. They had hardly taken their seats four years ago when they made a clean sweep of the police and the fire department. They sought no cause, but unceremoniously fired out every man along the line. If a city employee was a Democrat that was cause sufficient for his discharge. The Democrats then accepted the situation gracefully and stepped out.

If it were true the conduct of Republican administrations would furnish some excuse for the schemers who do not hesitate to jeopardize the fire department and the safety of the city to satisfy their petty political ambitions. But it is not true. The Republican administrations of this city have from first to last stood by the fire department in the exercise of its reasonable right to nominate the paid men from its own ranks. There has been no exception to this rule.

The *Expositor* further says: The fire department was never better or more efficient than when under the control of Tim Walton. It was as good as any city ever had. It was as good as any city ever had. It was as good as any city ever had. It was as good as any city ever had.

This is absolutely false in every particular. When the Republican Board of Trustees succeeded the old Triangle it did not discharge a single fireman, nor did it claim the right to do so. To the contrary it notified the fire department, then under the control of Chief Walton and the other appointees of the Democratic board, that it would be permitted to exercise its old prerogative of nominating men from its own ranks for the paid places. And this privilege the department has exercised up to the time that Joe Spinney made a combination with the Democratic members. This combination now proposes to adopt the old Triangle method of ignoring the department in its respect and of foisting upon it political leaders who have never done a day's service for the city as firemen if these places are demanded by outsiders.

This is the sort of petty political jobbery that, when directed at the fire department, the Republican denounces as an outrage and an attack upon the interests of the city and all of its property owners. When the old Triangle made the same attack upon the fire department

that is now being made the Republican defended the firemen as it defends them now, and would defend them if the attack came from Republicans instead of Democrats.

It is conceded that the city trustees have the legal right to discharge experienced and efficient firemen without cause and fill their places with outsiders. But they have no moral right to do it; no right that does not come directly in conflict with the interests of the city.

The Republican maintains that the volunteer firemen, the men who give their time and are ready to risk their lives for the city when called upon, are the men who, in common justice, are entitled to the paid positions and are entitled to a voice in naming those who shall direct them and handle the apparatus.

Experiences have proved conclusively that the department in the enjoyment of this reasonable right is thoroughly efficient and satisfactory in its work of protecting the property of the city, and it has also demonstrated that under a regime of political manipulation which permits outsiders to be thrust upon the department against its wishes, it is neither efficient nor satisfactory.

These results follow naturally and essentially. The effect of the latter course cannot be otherwise than demoralizing. Self-respecting citizens are not going to give their services freely to the city in the dangerous business of fighting fires and at the same time have political understrappers set over them and the benefits which belong of right to firemen given to outsiders. There is no other method of destroying a volunteer fire department than by arbitrarily denying it its reasonable rights.

Fresno has admittedly one of the very best fire departments in the state. The fire insurance companies to consider it, and the people of Fresno know that it is. And upon what grounds and for what purpose are its long enjoyed privileges now attacked? Nothing more important or more meritorious than the doing of a little petty politics by Democratic politicians and the paying off of a few grudges by a renegade Republican. That is all there is in it. The people of Fresno must see the department demoralized and the safety of property endangered for the benefit of a few schemers who might well be in better business.

**A SAD CASE OF MINORITY.**

"A strong man, though in the minority, can do much to stem the tide of extravagance, and that is the sort of man demanded for the hour." - *As the Expositor states it.*

It seems very unfortunate, though, that this strong man can only exercise his superior strength as a minority. Of course, there is Mr. Sayre, a good Democrat, and Mr. Mahy, a good Populist, who ought to meet the approval of the *Expositor*, but unfortunately they are both farmers with hayseed in their hair, and of course the strong man from the upper class could not do much with them. It is very unfortunate.

The only way out of the predicament seems to be to ask the hayseeds from the board on the Wallace plan and get the Governor to appoint a new board composed entirely of well-grounded men who do not belong to the "middle class." Then everything would be lovely and such a thing as extravagance would be unknown.

The *Expositor's* candidate for supervisor, who is not a farmer with hayseed in his hair, who is not a plodding lum herman nor a reeking butcher, who does not belong to the "middle class," but is "a Democrat and not a stoughton bottle," is still the great unknown-the man of mystery. Only the *Expositor*, Governor Budd and the gentleman who is not a hayseed nor a member of the "middle class," have the distinguished pleasure of knowing who he is.

The Oakland *Tribune* has an editorial entitled, "Does Baseball Pay?" Judging from our friend's account with the Bakersfield baseball club, we are inclined to answer most emphatically in the affirmative. *Bakersfield Californian*.

But if the ledger account of the *Expositor's* tournament committee were examined the answer would evidently be that baseball does pay handsomely.

**ESTEEMED CONTEMPORARIES**

Ontario *Record*: Now there is heavy kick being made in baseball circles because the *Examiner* tournament is turning out to be a money making scheme for the *Examiner* instead of for the benefit of the city, as was advertised. Why of course! Anybody should have known that the "Monarch" of yellow journalism isn't interested in charity any more than a burned toast is interested in the famine sufferers of India. When the *Examiner* gets charitable, peanuts will grow on palm trees and San Francisco will be a suburb of heaven. Until that time comes-wait!

Bakersfield *Californian*: The dearest thing in the world to me is baseball. It was not many weeks ago that we with unalloyed rectitude declared that the one thing making friends of enemies, every one of us tolerant of every other fellow's glaring faults, was baseball. In the matchless influence of that great game we became a united brotherhood, permitting that to take place which no system of religion, mystic symbolism or ethical philosophy could ever have brought about. We were ready to withdraw our hands temporarily from our neighbors' pockets and go down into our own to dig up the good gold that makes baseball a god. Now there are those who are ready to do to the same reverence and put up the necessary quarter entitling them to admission to grounds and grand stand, ladies free. Baseball in Bakersfield is dead.

Tulsa *Register*: Eugene Debs declared in a speech at Chicago Monday that strikes are of no use and that they are precipitated by the employing classes. Debs is wrong on the other side this time. To be sure the great strike he precipitated, predicted no end and worked incalculable injury to the

nation, but that was because he was at the head of it and he is no good whatever. Big strikes are sometimes good and sometimes bad. They sometimes win and sometimes they do not win, but the average effect of strikes has been to elevate labor. The striking classes stand in wholesome dread of them and it is only a foolhardy employer who will not listen to a real grievance or strive to remedy it if a strike is threatened in cases he does not wish to elevate labor. The average effect of strikes has been to elevate labor. The striking classes stand in wholesome dread of them and it is only a foolhardy employer who will not listen to a real grievance or strive to remedy it if a strike is threatened in cases he does not wish to elevate labor. The average effect of strikes has been to elevate labor. The striking classes stand in wholesome dread of them and it is only a foolhardy employer who will not listen to a real grievance or strive to remedy it if a strike is threatened in cases he does not wish to elevate labor.

Handford *Democrat*: Editors of San Joaquin valley newspapers are severe in their criticisms of a letter written by Mrs. Sarah Pratt Carr to a Unitarian conference in session in Boston, the letter having been published in the *Christian Register*, a Unitarian journal. There is not one of the editors who have commented on the letter that have not said more severe things in reference to their own communities than is contained in Mrs. Carr's letter, and the letter is a great deal about nothing. Mrs. Carr is a bright, intelligent lady, with strong convictions of right, and in devoting her entire energies and life to the betterment of the conditions of mankind, and the communities in which she labors. Earnest Christian ministers have uttered sentiments as strong as those used by Mrs. Carr, without attracting a single word of comment, and there are few devoted Christians who do not daily bewail the want of earnest Christian endeavor among our people. The *Democrat* says nothing in Mrs. Carr's letter that the *Democrat* does not think people, and the editorial fraternity of the state by their comments only set forth more strongly the fact that there is need of "saving grace" even in the newspaper offices.

**AN OPEN LETTER**

To James H. Budd, Governor of California.

Your Excellency:

If you want a sober, healthy, energetic, good-looking, enterprising and modest young man as supervisor of Fresno county you will have to appoint me, for the following reasons:

1-I was the only Gold Democrat in the county at the last election.

2-I have no casuals in my party, because I am the only one in it.

3-I have no blood on me and am no moonshiner, but, and

4-I have plenty of "Robin Hood," America's finest whiskey, on hand for "de pack."

Yours Very Truly,

ED. SCHWARTZ.

P.S.-Answer soon, my time is money.

**Prices Gone to Smash.**

Creditors say they must have money. You can get furniture, stoves, etc., at prices never heard of before in Fresno, at Housell & Flanagan's, 948 and 950 I street.

**"MASTER AND MAN"**

Will Be the Bill at the Barton Monday Night.

The Bates Company will appear in "Master and Man" at the Barton Monday night. Tuesday night Daniel Sully's comedy-drama "Daddy Nolan" will be the bill. The piece is up-to-date and sharp in its denunciations. Little Pearl Landers as Jimmy Nolan is particularly suited to her part and makes a hit everywhere. Thos. D. Bates as "Daddy Nolan," while making no apparent effort to elicit either sympathy or applause gains them by the way they keep the audience laughing throughout the entire piece. This piece calls for the entire cast. Those who enjoy a bright clean comedy should not miss the play Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

"A Busy Day" will be the bill; Thursday, "Mystery of a Handcuff Case"; Friday, "The Great Chinese Play"; Saturday matinee, "Daddy Nolan"; Saturday night, "A Wild Goose Chase"; Sunday night, "The Great Chinese Play."

NATURAL CURE, Olander. Concord, Cal., pastor. Sunday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m. John 20th. A quarterly conference service at 11 a.m. Christian Endeavor Society and preaching at 7:30 a.m.

Again and again with genuine, at Burnett-Hicks Co's.

Stands at the Head. Aug. J. Hugel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Bedford, Ark., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it. It never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and has stood the test of time. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at Webster Bros' drug store, cor. K and Mariposa streets.

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**NEWS FROM CLOVIS.**

The Flume Co. Employees Generously Help Will Chedister.

The school entertainment and ice cream social to be given in McCord's hall Saturday evening promises to be a success in every way, as Mr. Trautwein, the teacher, is doing all in his power to make it so. The ice cream will be the very best, and two leading stores have been engaged to serve out soft drinks, candies, cigars, etc., at the old stand.

C. J. Butler has purchased the business formerly run by O. C. Coddington, and he will continue to stand out soft drinks, candies, cigars, etc., at the old stand.

Miss Ida Dawson, assistant postmaster, in no longer in Uncle Sam's employ, having severed her connection with the postoffice last week.

Mrs. Vincent has retired from the boarding house business, which will now be conducted by Mrs. R. W. Apple, who took possession this morning.

The employees of the Flume Company have shown their good will and generosity toward Will Chedister, who recently lost his hand in the planer, by contributing about \$200, payable to his order, out of their wages.

F. B. Mathor's daughter, Bessie, who has been seriously sick for two days with fever, which threw her into convulsions, is slowly improving under Dr. Herring's care.

Why couldn't the man in Fresno who makes the weather have held this rain off a few days longer, so as to have given the paper-tray rainmen a show?

John Oadswelder is having a large cottage erected on his four corner lot opposite the M. E. church. George T. White and H. Smith are doing the work. John Gordon has completed Mr. Mathor's cottage, which is the prettiest one in town.

Drummers have been floating into town quite "promiscuously" this week. The ratio has been about 10 to 1-sketchy drummers to one sale.

Did your roof leak last night? A. J. Britton and "Spot" McElhenny drove to Fresno Friday afternoon. "Spot" went in to practice with the R. F. C. team.

Walt Johnson drove to Fresno yesterday. The Woodmen will soon give an entertainment and social at the hall.

Cal Meyer has accepted a position with the Sonner Lumber Company. Mrs. Morrison, who lately came down from the mill, where her husband is working, has been quite sick for several days.

DAVE N. POOR.

Clovis, October 1, 1897.

**Superior Court Notes.**

The following business was transacted in the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE RUSBY, DEPARTMENT 1. J. G. Burnett et al. vs. C. P. Walton, collector of the Selma Irrigation District, et al.; order sustaining demurrer of defendant B. Kelsey to amended complaint of plaintiff.

Balloon corps of Little Dick, order denying petition for discharge and prisoner remanded to custody of the sheriff. Monday, October 4th, at 11 a.m., 10:15 a.m. as time for calling trial calendar.

BEFORE JUDGE WOOD, DEPARTMENT 2. Ellen M. Webster vs. C. U. Henderson, et al.; order setting aside order appointing commissioner.

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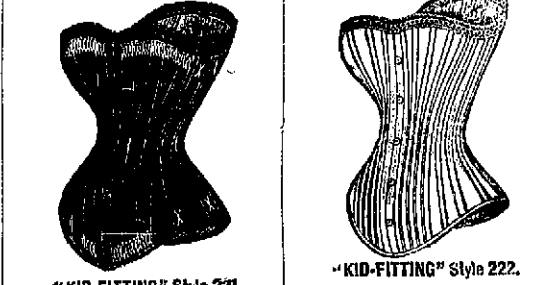
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Black and Gray, Price, \$2.50. This corset is made for a fully developed form, full in bust and hips.

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We carry 11 styles Dr. Warner's Corsets.  
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We sell all our Corsets at factory list prices.  
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OCTOBER 5TH TO 8TH (INCLUSIVE), 1897.

Poultry of every variety	1st Prize	2d Prize
Draught Stallions	\$7.00	\$2.50
Trotting Stallions	10.00	5.00
Thoroughbred Stallions	10.00	5.00
Best Milk Cow	10.00	5.00
Best Yearling Heifer	10.00	5.00
Best Two Sheep	10.00	5.00
Best Boar	5.00	2.50
Best Sow	5.00	2.50
Exhibit Fresno County Wines	25.00	10.00
Best Merchant's exhibit	15.00	10.00
Best Fresno county agricultural exhibit	25.00	10.00
Prize for 1 yearling	15.00	10.00
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Exhibit Fresno county exhibits	15.00	10.00

**SPEED PROGRAM.**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5th.

Race No. 1-Grand Central Hotel stake, running, one mile (sitting), top prize \$1000, 3 lbs. allowed for every \$100 to \$100; purse, \$200.

Race No. 2-The Schweizer stake, trotting and pacing, 2.30 class; purse, \$200.

Race No. 3-Barton & Shaw stake, running, 3/4 mile and repeat; purse, \$160.

Race No. 4-Barton Estate Co. stake, running, 2 year olds, 3/4 mile; purse, \$160.

Race No. 5-The Turf stake, trotting and pacing, free for all stallions owned in Fresno, King, Mariposa, Merced, Madera, Tulare, Stanislaus, Tuolumne and Kern counties on or before September 1, 1897; purse, \$200.

Race No. 6-The Fresno Republican stake, running, 3/4 mile (sitting), top prize \$200, 3 lbs. allowed for every \$100 to \$100; purse, \$160.

Race No. 7-The Turner-Goldstein stake, trotting and pacing, 2.28 class; purse, \$200.

Race No. 8-The Barrett-Hicks Co. stake, running, 3/4 mile and repeat (sitting), top prize \$200, 3 lbs. for every \$100 to \$100; purse, \$160.

Race No. 9-The Kisen Vineyard stake, running, 1 1/4 miles; purse, \$250.

Race No. 10-The Tarpey stake, running, 3/4 mile, for 2 year olds, 5 lbs. penalty for winning of Race No. 4; purse, \$160.

Race No. 11-The Kisen Vineyard stake, running, 1 1/4 miles; purse, \$250.

Race No. 12-The Expositor stake, running, 3/4 mile, for 4 year olds and upward, 10 lbs. above scale; purse, \$160.

Race No. 13-The Mechanics' Store stake, running, 3/4 mile, 5 lbs. penalty for winning at this meeting; purse, \$160.

Race No. 14-Smith's Dandruff Pomade stake, trotting and pacing, free for all; purse, \$200.

Race No. 15-The St. George Vineyard stake, running, 1 1/4 miles; purse, \$250.

Race No. 16-The Expositor stake, running, 3/4 mile, for 4 year olds and upward, 10 lbs. above scale; purse, \$160.

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Race No. 19-National Brewery stake, running, 3/4 mile dash, free for all; purse, \$200.

Race No. 20-National Brewery stake, running, 3/4 mile dash, free for all; purse, \$200.

Race No. 21-National Brewery stake, running, 3/4 mile dash, free for all; purse, \$200.

Race No. 22-National Brewery stake, running, 3/4 mile dash, free for all; purse, \$200.





## AN EXCELLENT PLAN Which Will Benefit the Raisin Grower.

### RASKS COME TO THE RESCUE

#### The Co-Operative Packing Houses to Be Opened—Growers' Meet- ing Today.

There will be a meeting of raisin growers at the Farmers' Club rooms on 1 street, opposite the Hughes hotel, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The meeting was called by the executive committee of the club, and the object is to discuss the raisin situation and take such steps as will result in securing to the growers fair prices, which means any price from 3¢ to 4¢. The growers from the neighboring counties have been included in the invitation of the Farmers' club, and they will no doubt be well represented.

The executive committee will have some good news to impart to the growers at the meeting. Its members have been looking about them dispassionately for ways and means of solving the problem of the raisin situation, and they think they have succeeded in finding an efficacious plan. The buyers depended not a little upon the inability of many of the growers to store their product, and they counted upon this class to rush their raisins to the market and thus depress the price. Their expectation, however, seems destined not to be realized. The committee has made arrangements by which the growers may bring their raisins to the co-operative packing houses, where they can be stemmed, boxed and stored. There are some sixteen of these packing houses in this district, and they will be able to handle a very large part of the output. They are equipped with stemmers and have a vast quantity of boxes on hand. It is not necessary, however, to throw open all of these establishments. The buyers will probably admit the error of their way and correct it when they realize that the growers are not to be bluffed into ruining themselves.

Another excellent thing accomplished by the members of the executive committee of the Farmers' Club was the enlisting of the interest of the local banks. The leading banks say they will lend money on all raisin in proper shape, and to help out the growers. This is certainly very fine news, and the combination of banks and co-operative packing houses is one that should result in bringing the raisin to terms.

The details of this plan will be unfolded at today's meeting of growers, and it will therefore be to the interest of every raisin man to be on hand and hear the good news for himself.

It seems very probable that before the rain, there are certainly worth 4 cents now. Reports have not yet come in from local growers, but the rain must have caused considerable damage. The exact extent will not be known for a week or so, but it is an approximate estimate will not be arrived at today at the growers' meeting. The report comes from Hanford that great damage was done to the raisin crop. The district of the Hanford district, it appears that some 300,000 paper trays are used in this neighborhood. A dispatch from Visalia says that serious damage was done to raisins in the northern part of Tulare county. Quite a number of paper trays are used to Fresno county, and the raisins on these have probably met with the same fate as those in Kings county. A grower yesterday expressed the opinion that the rain would result in the rotting of a large part of the second crop and that nearly all of this crop would probably go to the wineries.

In view of these conditions it would seem that a grower who would sell his product for less than 3¢ a case would not be very sound in the "upper story," but there must be very few such. The general opinion is that the rain has caused a stiffening of the raisin market, and that the buyers will soon be glad to get raisins at 3¢ cents.

## PERSONAL.

Jeff James is in town.  
G. H. Maza has returned to Merced.  
L. H. Simpson is down from Santa Cruz.  
A. W. Morris of Yolo is visiting Fresno.  
D. T. Curtis is over from Reedley on business.  
C. M. Miller went to San Francisco last night.  
H. H. Welch returned last night from San Francisco.  
Constable Zimmerman was up from Selma yesterday.  
R. E. Broad of Rutherford, Napa county, is in town.  
Dr. E. C. Houston came down from Gold Lake yesterday.  
W. O. Thompson came down from Stockton yesterday.  
P. S. Hoyt and wife of Selma spent yesterday in Fresno.  
J. R. White and wife came in from their ranch yesterday.  
J. W. Barbour came up from Hanford yesterday on business.  
Mrs. J. H. Simpson left on last night's train for San Francisco.  
R. S. Fallon and wife of San Francisco are visiting in returned last night from a visit to friends in San Francisco.  
Mrs. C. L. Meracle, justice of the peace at Selma, spent yesterday in the county seat.  
Rev. Sebastian Dabovich arrived last night from San Francisco and is at the Hughes hotel.

St. Stanislaus, a fruit grower of San Lorenzo, is spending a few days in town on business.  
W. McCallum, the merchant, has returned from a business trip to San Francisco.  
Joe Moody, brother of the tax collector, is down from the Grapevine mine in Tulare county.  
M. O. McGrath and family have moved from Stockton to this city, and have taken up their residence at 312 P street.

Mrs. Julia Dimick, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Fresno, left last evening for her home, Batavia, Alabama.  
S. Hancock, father-in-law of Supervisor O. W. Garrett, returned yesterday to his home in Stockton. He has been in Fresno nearly a year and during that time was very ill. He is now much improved.

W. M. Waldo, formerly chief clerk at the Hughes hotel, returned yesterday from a two months' visit at the old home in Yreka, Ind. Mr. Waldo has many friends in Fresno and they are all glad to see him back again. He says that business is brisker here than in the East.

Tom Dolan's Death.  
Tom Dolan, who told the story regarding the alleged plot of Archduke, has been recalled in a libel suit against the San Jose Mercury, called at this office last night and denied the statement made in the REPUBLICAN that he was a discharged employe and has an inflated brain. Dolan denied that he was charged or that there is anything the water with his brain.

More Steamers for Alaska.  
SAN FRANCISCO, October 1.—Two steamers are being fitted up in the East for the Alaskan trade. There are the City of Columbia, owned by the Columbia Navigation and Trading Company, and the Delaware, recently purchased by H. S. Pinner and other Massachusetts capitalists. The Columbia is being put in readiness to carry 3000 tons, and will start on the route to the spring, the Delaware is a steamer of 1270 tons, built in 1880.

Took the Scolding to Heart.  
POSONA, October 1.—Kittie Nugent, the 18-year-old daughter of Frank Nugent, committed suicide this afternoon by taking strychnine. She had been having a quarrel with her father, and as she delayed returning her father remonstrated her. The girl immediately went to her room, took the poison and died an hour later.

And There Are Others.  
SAN FRANCISCO, October 1.—The grand jury has filed an indictment against Charles S. Bartlett, charging him with perjury alleged to have been committed while giving testimony in the August Graven suit.

KLONDYKE NEWS.  
THERE ARE OVER 5000 PEOPLE IN Dawson.  
The Threatened Famine Was Expected to Be Averted by August 25th.

TACOMA, October 1.—The steamer Northstar arrived here tonight direct from St. Michaels with twenty-eight passengers and the following letter from H. M. Morgan:

"Dear Mr. Morgan, September 21st.  
"The wreck of the schooner Hinesman, having on board the material for three river boats to be built at St. Michaels Island for service on the Yukon, has had the effect of changing the route of the steamer Portland, which had on board the material for one river boat, also for service on the Yukon.  
"The steamer Portland of Seattle says there are at least 5000 people in Dawson, the greater number living in tents, of which there are from 100 to 300. Soon after her arrival there the North American steamer arrived, and the steamer Portland closed their stores, being out of provisions and unable to fill about 4000 pounds of flour. The Alaska Commercial Company was filling about one-third of the provisions, with a large chance of failure. The steamer Portland, with 100 tons of provisions, and the Alice, with 75 tons, arriving before they would be compelled to close.  
"The steamer ought to have arrived by August 25th, but it is almost impossible to get up the Yukon on account of lack of water."

BATTLE OF THE BONES.  
RIDICULOUS FEATURES OF THE LUTHERBURG CASE.

The Prosecution Indulges in Monkeys Business With the Defense's Expert.

QUICKSAND, October 1.—The monotony of the scientific and painfully technical proceedings of the Lutherburg murder trial today were relieved by a hearty laugh at the expense of Dr. Alport, the chief osteological expert of the defense, during the afternoon session. Dr. Alport had identified a piece of bone as the temporal of a human being. He observed that the bone would indicate that the person had been large and strong.

"Yes, I suppose he was," observed Assistant State's Attorney McLean. "It was a gorilla."

This announcement rather staggered Dr. Alport, but he joined in the general laugh among the lawyers, experts and spectators.

There was a warm tilt between the witnesses and McLean during the afternoon. After answering a question Dr. Alport proceeded to give a little explanatory lecture, digressing somewhat from the subject under consideration. When he passed Attorney McLean was making a motion and moment and remarking, "You are a little too fresh."

Ex-Judge Vincent was on his feet in a moment appealing for protection for the witness.

A little rebuke like that is good for some people," remarked Attorney McLean. "One small head does not contain all there is to know about bones."

Ex-Judge Vincent continued to demand that his chief antagonist be protected by the court. Judge Tuttle then stopped to the dispute by leaning over his desk and remarking, "Gentlemen proceed with the trial of the case."

The battle of bones will continue tomorrow.

Trophy Baking Powder can't do it all—but it takes a lot of risk out of cake making.

And when you have used Tiltmann's Spices and Flavoring Extracts you know what you did for.

Tiltmann & Bredel, Mfrs.

TOURNAMENT RULES.

THE ONES ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE.

"Republicans" in Fine Condition for Tomorrow's Game—The Lineup.

The changes wrought in the Fresno Republican baseball team within the past two weeks under the management of Joe Shea reflect great credit upon the ability of that gentleman. They prove conclusively that he thoroughly understands his business, and as he is not hampered by other affairs, as former managers were, the lovers of the national game feel confident that a bright future is in store for the home team.

Those who witnessed the practice of the team Thursday and yesterday are loud in their praise of the present routine and under the skillful guidance of the veteran manager our boys are rapidly developing their ability and becoming well-trained and systematic players.

Tomorrow the public will have an opportunity of seeing the Republicans lined up for business against the San Francisco Athletic Club nine, which is considered one of the best in San Francisco. The occasion of the tournament, on this occasion the two players will be on the slab—Thompson for the first four innings and Tyler for the remaining five. The infused is like a stone wall and the outfield unexcelled in line.

The lineup of the two teams follows:

REPUBLICANS.

First—In view of the fact that 20 percent of the gross receipts at San Francisco is given to charity, that all the tournament games be played for charity.

Second—That teams be allowed to play exhibition games on all the grounds included in the tournament—viz., Fresno, San Jose, Santa Cruz and San Francisco, and on no other grounds.

Third—That no tournament game shall play exhibition games with each other until after they have met as scheduled accompanying the tournament, which is also a condition of the four grounds.

Fourth—That the clubs shall receive a full compensation 40 percent of the gross receipts of the games played at the grounds included in the tournament.

Fifth—That the clubs shall be allowed to strengthen under the emergency clause only, and that they be allowed to play exhibition games with each other.

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